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C O N F I D E N T I A L BOGOTA 5880

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EGEN, EINV, ECOSOC, UN, CO

SUBJ: ECOSOC INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

REF: A) STATE 141773, B) STATE 144233, C) STATE 145073

1. E/C COUNSELOR LEFT COPY OF US DRAFT RESOLUTION WITH HERNAN TOBON, ACTING FONOFF UNDERSECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, AND, DRAWING ON POINTS STATE 144233, BRIEFED TOBON IN DETAIL ON US OBJECTIVES REGARDING EXTENSION OF WORKING GROUP, DRAFTING OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT AND CONVENING OF DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE IN 1978. TOBON EXPRESSED FULL AGREEMENT WITH US OBJECTIVES BUT NOTED THAT IN CASE OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT FONOFF TRADITIONALLY HAD LEFT DECISION IN HANDS OF ITS DELEGATION. HE AGREED, HOWEVER, TO TRANSMIT VERBATIM TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION TO GENEVA, HIGHLIGHTING PRINCIPAL US OBJECTIVES.

2. TOBON SAID THAT AMBASSADOR BOTERO WOULD NOT REPRESENT COLOMBIA AT GENEVA MEETING. HEAD OF DELEGATION, NOMINALLY AT LEAST, WILL BE AMBASSADOR HECTOR CHARRY SAMPER. WHILE BALANCE OF DELEGATION HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED, TOBON THOUGHT THAT LUIS  
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LASCARRO (COUNSELOR OF COLOMBIAN UN DELEGATION WHO IS IN GENEVA FOR UNDP MEETING) AND FABIO GORDILLO (CENTRAL BANK) MIGHT ALSO ATTEND MEETING. BOTH LASCARRO AND GORDILLO HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN ILLICIT PAYMENTS QUESTION AND SHOULD BE GOOD CONTACTS FOR US DELEGATION.

3. TOBON RECOGNIZED INTEREST OF FORMER AMBASSADOR RIVAS IN ILLICIT PAYMENTS MATTER, BUT POINTED OUT THAT RIVAS, AS MINISTER OF EDUCATION, IS REALLY OUT OF THE DECISION MAKING CHAIN. NEVERTHELESS, WE ARE SEEKING AN APPOINTMENT WITH RIVAS TO BRING HIM UP TO DATE ON SUBJECT.  
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